Place by setting up endless road dividers and over-bridges which are leading to creation of super-speed highways in the city; and

(c) whether Government would ensure that traffic authorities do not take erratic decisions without reference to an Advisory Committee which should have citizens as its representatives.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) to (c) The Delhi Police have reported that only after proper feasibility studies and consultation with concerned technical agencies, new traffic scheme are introduced which are intended for the larger interest of the general public. The concept of the new traffic circulation pattern for 'C' Hexagon area was introduced after a detailed study by traffic and Transportation consultants, M/s. CRAPHTS (Centre for Research and Planning in Highway and Transportation System). The traffic circulation pattern for Connaught Place area was introduced on the basis of recommendations of studies commissioned through M/s. Keltron under the guidance of eminent traffic engineers and the NDMC who are also coordinating with Delhi Traffic Police in this regard. The Delhi Police have further reported the proposals/suggestions for the improvement of traffic conditions received from the Resident's Welfare Associations. Transporters and other market Associations etc., are always examined for feasibility and possible adoption.

Deaths in Tihar Jail, Delhi

1099. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government attention have been drawn to the report published in the Indian Express of the 8th November, 1992 about deaths in Tihar Central Jail, Delhi;

(b) if so, what are the facts in this regard;

(c) whether Government have conducted any enquiry into the matter;

(d) if so, what is the outcome thereof;

(e) the number of cases of death which took place in the Tihar Jail during the last three years, year-wise; and

(f) what steps Government have taken to improve facilities of accommodation, water supply and santitation, etc. and also the behaviour of Jail staff towards the prisoners ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Delhi Administration has reported that three deaths occurred in the Central Jail, Tihar in October 1992. Undertrial Shri Raja Ram S/o Mawasi Ram died in Deen Dayal Upadhyay Hospital on 14-10-92 while undergoing treatment. Delhi Administration has further reported that undertrial Dilawar Singh S/o Lakka Singh was found hanging and dead on 29-10-92. Another undertrial Ashok Kumar S/o Gajanand committed suicide by hanging on 29-10-92.

(c) and (d) Inquests under section 176 of Code of Criminal procedure have been initiated.

(e) The number of deaths which took in Tihar Jail is as under :

Year	Number of Deaths
1989	18
1990	38
1991	43
1992 till 25-11-92	37

(f) Some of the steps taken to improve the jail conditions are as under :

(i) Additional jails to be constructed in the Eighth Five Year Plan.

(ii) Increased medical cover in all the four Tihar Jails.

(iii) 2" water lines have been commissioned augmenting the safe and potable water supply in Tihar Jails.

(iv) Over head water tanks are being cleaned regularly.

(v) 'Sampark Sabha' are being organised by the senior officer to brief the jails staff on their duties towards the prisoners.

Compensation to the Policemen for working on Holidays

1100. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether its is a fact that policemen up to the rank of Inspector in Delhi Police have been receiving 13 months' pay each year for working on holidays;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Delhi Administration has issued an order revoking the above practice and restricting their pay to 12 months; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) On examination of the matter in consultation with its Administrative Reforms Department, the Delhi Administration recommended to the Government of India the discontinuance of the compensatory pay on the following grounds :—

(i) the strength of Delhi police had substantially increased since 1979 when orders regarding compensatory pay were issued;

(ii) the 4th Pay Commission had all ready given higher pay-scales to the police staff for performing long hours of duty, etc.

However, having regard to the various facts brought out by the police, a decision was taken the same day to hold the implementation of the decision in abeyance.

Clashes between Tribals and Non-Tribals in Meghalaya

1101. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made any inquiry into the recent clashes between tribals and non-tribals in Meghalaya;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, reasons therefor;

(d) whether it is a fact that ULFA is having a growing influence over tribal Organisations in the State; and

(e) if so, the steps being taken by Government to break the nexus ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a) to (c) The Government of Meghalaya have ordered a judical inquiry into the recent disturbances in Shillong. The report of inquiry is yet to be received.

(d) and (e) There is evidence to prove that ULFA has used Shillong, the capital of Meghalaya, as a meeting place as well as for temporary shelter. As a result of vigilance, some ULFA militants were arrested in Meghalaya. There is, however, no report to indicate any growing influence or hold ULFA militants over tribal organisations in Meghalaya.

Ban on the Organisations Spreading Communal Hatred

1102. SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN : Will the MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether in view of the fact that communal conflicts are more endemic, wide spread, more intensive and destructive throughout the country, steps have been taken by Government to contain communal conflicts;

(b) whether Government have any proposal to ban the Political Organisations which spread communal hatred and create disharmony in the society and cause frequent violent disturbances;

(c) whether the Pattali Makkal Katchi and some other extremist splinter Groups in Tamil Nadu which are disseminating anti-national feelings are kept under surveillance; and

(d) whether these Organisatoins would be banned ?